

**Directions (1-15):** Out of the four alternatives, choose the one which best expresses the meaning of the given word.

**Q1. Stumpy**

- (a) rangy
- (b) pudgy
- (c) lanky
- (d) lofty

**S1. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** Stumpy: short and thick; squat.

Pudgy: a person or part of their body rather fat.

Lanky: ungracefully thin and tall.

Lofty: thick and resilient.

Hence option B is the correct synonym.

**Q2. Sheath**

- (a) weapon
- (b) hide
- (c) encourage
- (d) coat

**S2. Ans.(d)**

**Sol.** Sheath: a close-fitting cover for the blade of a knife or sword.

Hence option D is the correct synonym.

**Q3. Defuse**

- (a) irritate
- (b) alleviate
- (c) agitate
- (d) incite

**S3. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** Defuse: remove the fuse from (an explosive device) in order to prevent it from exploding.

Alleviate: make less severe.

Agitate: feeling or appearing troubled or nervous.

Incite: encourage or stir up.

Hence option B is the correct synonym.

**Q4. Deployment**

- (a) bane
- (b) banishment
- (c) stationing
- (d) strategize



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**S4. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** Deployment: the movement of troops or equipment to a place or position for military action.

Bane: a cause of great distress or annoyance.

Banishment: the punishment of being sent away from a country or other place.

Strategize: to devise a strategy.

Stationing: put in or assign to a specified place for a particular purpose, especially a military one.

Hence option C is the correct synonym.

**Q5. Banquet**

(a) fast

(b) feast

(c) veracity

(d) gluttony

**S5. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** Banquet: an elaborate and formal evening meal for many people.

Gluttony: habitual greed or excess in eating.

Veracity: conformity to facts; accuracy.

Hence option B is the correct synonym.

**Q6. Streak**

(a) freak

(b) bright

(c) immaculate

(d) smear

**S6. Ans.(d)**

**Sol.** Streak: a long, thin line or mark of a different substance or colour from its surroundings.

Immaculate: perfectly clean, neat, or tidy.

Smear: damage the reputation of someone by false accusations; slander.

Hence option D is the correct synonym.

**Q7. Sentry**

(a) bandit

(b) competitor

(c) sentinel

(d) foe

**S7. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** Sentry: a soldier stationed to keep guard or to control access to a place.

Bandit: a robber or outlaw belonging to a gang and typically operating in an isolated or lawless area.

Sentinel: a soldier or guard whose job is to stand and keep watch.

Foe: an enemy or opponent.

Hence option C is the correct synonym.

**Q8. Digress**

- (a) sojourn
- (b) meander
- (c) tarriance
- (d) regress

**S8. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** Digress: leave the main subject temporarily in speech or writing.

Sojourn: a temporary stay.

Meander: a road follow a winding course.

Tarriance: to delay

Regress: return to a former or less developed state.

Hence option B is the correct synonym.

**Q9. Extrapolate**

- (a) deduce
- (b) rejection
- (c) scruple
- (d) vacillate

**S9. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** Extrapolate: estimate or conclude.

Deduce: draw as a logical conclusion.

Hence option A is the correct synonym.

**Q10. To entrain**

- (a) to alight
- (b) to debark
- (c) to mount
- (d) to disembark

**S10. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** Entrain: to board a train.

Mount: to climb up.

Hence option C is the correct synonym.

**Q11. Antithesis**

- (a) contradictory
- (b) harmony
- (c) affinity
- (d) analogy

**S11. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** Antithesis: a person or thing that is the direct opposite of someone or something else.

Contradictory: mutually opposed or inconsistent.

Hence option A is the correct synonym.

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**Q12. Ominous**

- (a) secure
- (b) auspicious
- (c) apocalyptic
- (d) propitious

**S12. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** Ominous: giving the worrying impression that something bad is going to happen; threateningly inauspicious.

Apocalyptic: showing or describing the total destruction and end of the world, or extremely bad future events.

Hence option C is the correct synonym.

**Q13. Incisive**

- (a) daffy
- (b) concise
- (c) stolid
- (d) tedious

**S13. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** Incisive: intelligently analytical and clear-thinking.

Concise: giving a lot of information clearly and in a few words

Hence option B is the correct synonym.

**Q14. Bouffant**

- (a) braid
- (b) barren
- (c) hirsute
- (d) glabrous

**S14. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** Bouffant: styled so as to stand out from the head in a rounded shape.

Braid: a length of hair made up of three or more interlaced strands.

Hence option A is the correct synonym.

**Q15. Improvident**

- (a) provident
- (b) extravagant
- (c) miserly
- (d) thrifty

**S15. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** Improvident: not having or showing foresight; spendthrift or thoughtless.

Extravagant: lacking restraint in spending money or using resources.

Hence option B is the correct synonym.

**Directions (16-20): Improve the bracketed part of the sentences.**

**Q16. Obviously he isn't (cut up) to be a good teacher.**

- (a) cut out
- (b) cut in
- (c) cut for
- (d) No improvement

**S16. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** Cut out: to have the qualities/abilities needed for something.

**Q17. Power got with money is the most (craved for) today.**

- (a) sought after
- (b) wished for
- (c) welcomed for
- (d) No improvement

**S17. Ans.(d)**

**Sol.** No Improvement.

**Q18. The brown shirt (wants washing).**

- (a) has to wash
- (b) is in need of a wash
- (c) requires a wash
- (d) No improvement

**S18. Ans.(c)**

**Sol.** 'Requires a wash' is the correct choice.

**Q19. You are asked to copy this letter (word by word).**

- (a) word for word
- (b) word with word
- (c) word to word
- (d) No improvement

**S19. Ans.(a)**

**Sol.** Word for word: in exactly the same words or when translated exactly equivalent words.

**Q20. The weak man is a slave to his (sensuous) pleasures.**

- (a) sensory
- (b) sensual
- (c) secondary
- (d) No improvement

**S20. Ans.(b)**

**Sol.** Sensual: connected with one's physical feelings and pleasures.

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**Directions (21-25):** In the following questions, groups four words are given. In each group, one word is wrongly spelt. Find the misspelt word is wrongly spelt. Find the misspelt word.

**Q21.**

- (a) Prioratise
- (b) Picturesque
- (c) Visualize
- (d) Individuality

**S21. Ans.(a)**

**Q22.**

- (a) Mendacious
- (b) Obnoxciuous
- (c) Pernicious
- (d) Ferocious

**S22. Ans.(b)**

**Q23.**

- (a) Rapport
- (b) Support
- (c) Repport
- (d) Purport

**S23. Ans.(c)**

**Q24.**

- (a) Audacious
- (b) Auspicious
- (c) Caprisious
- (d) Credulous

**S24. Ans.(c)**

**Q25.**

- (a) Neurosurgeon
- (b) Homoeopath
- (c) Bureaucrat
- (d) Veteinary

**S25. Ans.(d)**

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